TO WHOM IT MAY CONCERN.

THIS certifies, that *Hiram H Blackwell* has been received into the Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints, organized on the sixth of April, in the year of our Lord, one thousand eight hundred and thirty, and has been ordained an Elder in the Quorum of Seventies, according to the rules and regulations of said Church, and is duly authorized to preach the gospel, agreeably to the authority of that office.

From the satisfactory evidence which we have of his good moral character, and his zeal for the cause of righteousness, and diligent desire to persuade men to forsake evil and embrace truth, we confidently recommend him to all candid and upright people, as a worthy brother in the Lord, This letter of commendation is a proof of our fellowship and esteem: praying for his success and prosperity in our Redeemer's cause.

Given by the direction of a Conference of the Elders of said Quorum assembled in Nauvoo, the City of Joseph, Hancock county, Illinois, the *19th* day of *July* in the year of our Lord, one thousand eight hundred and forty *5*

Joseph Young Chairman.

John D Lee Clerk.

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General Clerk and Recorder of said Quorums.

10 July 1845.

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